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**Mark Your Calendar for Meetings -
2020 - Sept. 19, Nov. 21**

MAY MEETING

The regular meeting of the Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society scheduled for Saturday, May 16th, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Genealogy Library was cancelled because of the Covid-19 Virus and the stay-at-home restrictions. The Calcasieu Parish Library system closed in March and we don't know when it will reopen.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The regular meeting of the Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society will be held on Saturday, September 19th, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Carnegie Meeting Room.
Program will be announced.

CENSUS DONT'S

Don't forget to copy all the entries for your surname in the county/parish. And better look over the neighbors, too. Four Smiths in a row with a Jones in the middle could easily mean a married daughter and her family.

Don't think the records before 1850 can't help. They may only have one name listed, but at least you'll know how many to look for in the whole family.

Don't think census data gives all the answers.

Don't forget the 1880 plus records when you're stuck in the early 1880s. The census for 1880 and later gives the birth date of the fathers and mothers.

Don't forget the 1890 veteran's census if your ancestor was in the military. Widows are also listed.

Don't forget about state census records.

<http://louisianadigitallibrary.org>

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IN MEMORIAM

**CARL BLAKE
1946 - 2020**

**LTC HENRY DUDLEY DOIRON
1927 - 2020**

MARCH MEETING

The March meeting was held on Saturday, March 14. The Program was presented by HARVEY DOWNS.

HISTORY OF MOSS BLUFF - THE SEQUEL

MOSS BLUFF'S FIRST SCHOOL

Moss Bluff's first school

- Before 1904, children in Moss Bluff had to travel to Lake Charles to go to school.
- They would have to get on a horse drawn buggy to the ferry.
- Then get on another ferry and travel down a road that was known to flood just to get to school.
- In 1904, MARY MARGARET PICARD MATERNE wanted the children of Moss Bluff to get an education without too much hassle.
 - She had lived in Moss Bluff since 1880 with her husband, EDWARD MATERNE, and her in-laws.
- MARY MARGARET MATERNE, felt her children were not getting the education that she wanted them to have.
- History of education in Moss Bluff
 - Until 1904 was almost non-existent.
 - However, there is evidence that E. MILLS had opened a private school in 1896, at his home.
 - Had 14 students his first week.
 - Hard for School Board to maintain a school in Moss Bluff.
 - This is due to its geographic isolation.
 - Children thus had to go to Lake Charles.
 - Led to most only going for 3 years.
 - Mrs. MATERNE, or "Miss EDDY" was determined to get a school in her community.
- JOHN McNEESE was school superintendent at this time.
- Set up necessary steps to establish a school in the local areas.
- The requirements for establishing new schools:
 - Township must have at least 10 pupils.
 - Township had to provide room and board for a teacher.
 - Township must deed property to the School Board, which in turn would deed it back if the school closed.
- Miss EDDY with the help of some neighbors set out to meet these requirements.
- Miss EDDY set aside a part of MATERNE property and a small building.
 - Its location was on what is now Theriot Road.
- She got help from the THERIOTs, ARMISTEADs, FOREMANs, LONGs, WHITEs, CARRs, HOOPERs and WALLs.
 - Built desks, benches, set up a pot-bellied wood stove, and an outhouse.
- Arrangements were made to take care of the teacher as well.

- In 1905, MONTELLO DOESCHER of English Bayou became the school's first teacher.

The school was first called the MATERNE School, later the Moss Bluff School. The school also was fitted with a pulpit and an organ so that it could be used on Sundays as a community church, which would make it one of the first churches in Moss Bluff.

Preachers would be rotated.

A few years later another school was built six miles from the MATERNE School, known as West Island School, closed for not reaching school board requirements.

- The little school lasted until 1921, when it was consolidated with the Gillis School.

First one room school was constructed at Moss Bluff in 1905.

- School was moved to Gillis.
- The only grades were 1st - 8th.
- 1918. The High School was incorporated in the Gillis School. 12th grade was added in 1945.

MOSS BLUFF SCHOOLS

From 1921-1954

- Students in Moss Bluff went to the Gillis School.
- When the population shift took place in the 1950s from Gillis to Moss Bluff there was a need for a Moss Bluff Elementary School.
- It was opened in 1954.
- High School Students remained at the Gillis High School until 1961.

Moss Bluff Elementary School was built in 1954.

- On March 2, 1954, it was announced that they were accepting bids for construction.
- David B. Miller and Company won the bid for a sum of \$77,255.54.

Black Elementary school in Moss Bluff.

- Called the Newton School.
- In 1957, an expropriation suit was filed for the school site.
- To get 4 acres of land to relocate the Newton School.
- The land sought was adjacent to the present Newton School.
- About a mile northwest of Moss Bluff on U.S. Highway 171.
- The Newton School was on leased property of less than an acre.
- The 4 acre site was to allow expansion for the Newton School.

July 4, 1969, integration for areas outside of Lake Charles to take place.

- In Ward 1 it was proposed to close the Newton Elementary School.
- The students would be integrated into the Moss Bluff Elementary School with grades 1-6 and have 623 white students & 61 black students.

Moss Bluff Elementary

In 1962 the first PTA meeting was held at the Moss Bluff Elementary School.

In 1967, it flew a USA Flag that once flew over the nation's Capitol.

- A new Flag is hoisted each day at the Capitol and the used flags could be obtained for public buildings.
- U.S. Rep. EDWIN EDWARDS got the flag for the school.

1967, school was having issues with students crossing LA 378 to get to school.

Nov. 16 1967, a child was in an accident while riding their bike home from school.

- It was a major issue during the police juror elections.
- This is when the idea of sidewalks were considered along LA 378 in Moss Bluff.

Jan. 22, 1969, School Board votes to add 3 more rooms to the School.

April 1, 1969, gets an expansion for Kindergarten classes.

July 4, 1969, it was announced that schools outside of Lake Charles would be integrated.

Moss Bluff was to have an integration with grades 1-6.

July 10, 1969, reaction to the busing program in Moss Bluff.

- Citizens' Committee for Quality Education expressed their opposition to the busing of the children.
- They held a meeting at Cowboy Stadium to discuss the issue.
- They felt it should be the students and parents choice. They believed in freedom of choice, local control of schools, neighborhood schools and quality of education.
- Integration

July 23, 1969

One plan was to close the Newton School and have those students go to Moss Bluff Elementary.

Another plan was that those students being bused to Washington High School would be attending Sam Houston High School.

Integration wasn't just about the students but it was also about the teachers.

- In 1970 some schools had a lottery for fixing the issue of integration of teachers.
- Moss Bluff was exempt from this lottery.
- Students were not affected by the lottery.

Because a zoning system was in place by the School Board to determine school attendance.

- The lottery was only to affect the school staff and faculties.
- This was ordered by a federal court to bring about unitary school system.
- The lottery would transfer teachers from white schools to black schools and vice versa.
- The reaction to the lottery.

Not all teachers were happy with the lottery, some left the drawing in tears.

Moss Bluff was one of the places that teachers were exempt from the lottery.

There was a petition that went around in Feb. 26, 1970, to stop the lottery.

May 8, 1970, KERRY L. DURR, Principal.

May 8, 1970, Moss Bluff Elementary gets Accreditation, K-6 grade.

June 18, 1970, was then denied accreditation because they did not have a suitable Library.

Dec. 3, 1970, Moss Bluff Elementary Ward 1 did receive its accreditation from the Southern Association.

By Oct. 22, 1975, the Elementary School was in need of a serious electrical rewiring.

- In 1983, the School was over crowded.

This was due to the High School burning.

So students living in the Gillis area attended Moss Bluff Elementary.

Due to the overcrowding Gillis Elementary School was built.

It was to be completed by Dec. 21, 1983.

448 students would be attending the new school.

New Moss Bluff Middle School

- August 8, 1976 was pushed to be opened.
- First Principal was JOEL KELLY.
- This was the first Middle School in Moss Bluff.
- It was needed because of the growing population.
- Population boom due to new U.S. 171 bridge being finished.
- The new school was to alleviate the problem created in the high school and elementary school by bringing the 7th and 8th grades from the overcrowded Sam Houston High School and the 6th grade from the overcrowded Moss Bluff Elementary School.
- The Middle School opened with 575 students.
- The Middle School was not to be like the High School.
- Architecturally it incorporated the ideas of "pods."
- Each grade will be separated into these pods and classroom activities would revolve around these units.
- The Library was going to be the largest in the parish schools.
- At the beginning it did not have a Gymnasium.
They still had a place for P.E.
It wasn't a gym.
- First Athletic program would be on an intramural basis.
- The school would open in the Fall of 1976.

First High School and only one in Moss Bluff.

- In 1960, plans for a new High School to be built in Moss Bluff.
- It was built to replace the Gillis High School.
- In 1963, Gillis High was only used for its athletic facilities.
- In 1960, the new High School was not named Moss Bluff High School.
- It was named after Texan SAM HOUSTON.

Why?

The name was selected by the parish School Board.

The Board considered names submitted by themes by the Gillis High School students.

The results came from the fact that the school was near Sam Houston State Park, later Sam Houston Jones State Park, and that it was also on the Sam Houston Parkway.

Former Governor SAM HOUSTON JONES presented a large portrait of Sam Houston to the school.

Moss Bluff High School (Sam Houston High School)

- 1960
- The first principal was G. J. BARKATE.
- The school would house the 7th – 12th grades until 1971 when the Middle School was built.
- The school was built when it was pointed out to the School Board that it would save money with the new High School because 80% of students attending the Gillis School were from Moss Bluff and school bus costs would go down.

Sam Houston High School

- 1962 - They published first edition of the school newspaper *The Round Up*.
- 1963 - Sam Houston High School gets new stadium - Bronco Stadium.
- 1969 - Gets funding for five new classrooms.
- A band room to accommodate 70 band students.
- April 15, 1969 - Bonds approved for additions to Sam Houston High School.
- \$185,000 was sought for a band room, five classrooms, extend the physical education facilities, buy additional lockers and other equipment, and to add to the cafeteria and kitchen.

Sam Houston High School

- July 4, 1969 - Sam Houston High School was integrated.
It would house grades 7-12 and accommodate 495 white students and 44 black students.
Those students being bused to Washington High School would now go to Sam Houston High School.
- Feb. 7, 1971 - Sam Houston will be evaluated by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
Schools were evaluated every 10 years for accreditation.
- Feb. 16, 1971 - Sam Houston High School gets a favorable report by the committee.
- In 1976 the 7th and 8th grades were moved to the new Moss Bluff Middle School.

Sam Houston High School burns

- Monday, January 11, 1982, an explosion followed by a fire destroyed the multi-million dollar facility.
- According to Ward 1 Fire Chief MICHAEL KUK
Was originally felt that it was a natural gas explosion in the chemistry lab believed to be chemical in nature.
- Firefighters were on the scene in a minute.
- Firefighters fought the blaze for 2 hours.
The gymnasium and 13 temporary buildings were saved.

School's main complex-classrooms, offices, equipment, laboratories, band room, cafeteria, etc... were destroyed.

- One of the people at the school when the explosion happened was Assistant Principal ED STEVENS.
- Most of the school's records, materials for the 1982 yearbook, schedules and valuable computer software were now gone.
- Records of former graduates and some current student records were saved.
- Principal KERRY DURR met with the School Board and came up with a plan to transfer all 820 Sam Houston students to Westlake High School for the remainder of the year.

Sam Houston High school was closed on the day of the fire due to lack of heating for the classrooms. The school had suffered from low gas pressure. They couldn't get the boilers to fire.

There was at one point foul play suspected in the explosion and fire, according to State Deputy Fire Marshal CHARLES GEORGE. GEORGE said they had good reason to suspect foul play, that it was more than a natural gas issue due to the intensity of the heat on certain materials. Was

thought to be a chemical explosion, natural gas issue, or possible arson. Fire began in school's chemistry lab. Due to the busing and the students from SHHS going to Westlake High School there was a need for a new traffic light in Westlake. It was at John Stine Road and Sampson Street. The fire brought out the best in the students and faculty at both high schools to be able to cooperate for the need of SHHS.

During the investigation it was found that there was a horribly melted gas distribution valve in the school's chemistry lab, and another value in an open position. Investigators leaned toward escaping gas. Foul play was not in the high realm of possibilities after this discovery.

Sam Houston High School burns

- Problems with the move to Westlake High School.
- The platoon system caused some inconveniences with the athletic squads.

The Plan

- Have Westlake students going to classes from 7 am until noon each day and have Sam Houston students going in from 1pm until 6 pm.
- Sam Houston students were advised to meet at the Moss Bluff Middle School gym to get instructions on what will befall them for the rest of the school year.
- Faculty of Sam Houston High School were to meet at Pearl Watson Middle School to be briefed on the "platoon plan" and curriculum adjustments.
- Plans for the fall semester of the school.

It was recommended that the students would attend classes at the Moss Bluff Middle School.

Before this plan for the middle school.

One was to permit students to remain at Westlake High School under the platooning system, disbanding Sam Houston as a high school and allowing the student body to be absorbed at Westlake and other schools.

It was felt that the best option for the time was to relocate and platoon at and with the middle school.

Least cost factor.

Sam Houston High School

- New Bond for fund to rebuild Sam Houston High School was approved.
- School Board would get \$1.7 million from the insurance towards the school.

MOSS BLUFF POST OFFICE

First Post Office

- Was established on June 1, 1912.
- REUBAN H. BOMAR was the first postmaster.
- It lasted until February 15, 1913.
 - It was discontinued, reason might have been lack of business.
- Mail was sent to Lake Charles.
- Moss Bluff re-opens the Post Office in October of 1952.
 - It will not be a full station.
 - Is a contract postal station.
 - Is located at LEVI ROLLINS' store on U.S. Highway 171.
 - North of the Moss Bluff Bridge.

Moss Bluff Post Office

- The Contract Postal Station in 1952 will serve around 250 families.
- Rural mail delivery was still carried out.
- The new station was to offer all other regular postal services.
- All regular postal services will be set up in LEVI ROLLINS' store.
- ROLLINS was the postal clerk in charge.
 - Services will include money orders, registered mail, stamps and envelopes, and COD.
- Concerns are raised about postal service in 1970s.
 - This is due to the growth of the Moss Bluff settlement in this decade.
- In 1974, the Postal Contract Station in Moss Bluff was expanded to provide adequate service for the area.
 - The services were foreign mailings, Postal Savings, and Migratory Bird Stamps. Added was a street Mail Box.
 - The one rural route was divided into Routes IV and V.
 - The Moss Bluff Rural Branch of the Lake Charles Main Post Office was created.
- The Moss Bluff Contract Postal Station was moved in 1974, from the ROLLINS' General Store to the Western Auto Store owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. NELSON.
- The Contract Postal Station is to last until the 1980s.
- In July 1980, it is thought about putting a substation in Moss Bluff.
- Lake Charles Postmaster, LEON MATTE, stated, "One area with a substantial amount of growth was Moss Bluff where mail deliveries have increased by 37% in 1980 at a Lake Charles Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors meeting.
- Big controversy about adding a Substation on U.S. Hwy 171, just north of Interstate 10.
- In 1980, both Moss Bluff and the Northeast Lake Charles area are contenders for a Postal Substation.
- Moss Bluff had more of an advantage.
- The Substation will not be run by a postmaster because Moss Bluff is not incorporated.
- The Substation would serve 16,000 to 18,000 people.
- The controversy continues throughout 1980.
- The main reason for not building the Substation on 171 north of I-10 was that that area would not financially support a Substation there.
 - There is however excellent arguments for the Substation at 171.
- The Moss Bluff Substation would be financially supported.
- In July 1981, it is announced that a full service facility has been approved for Moss Bluff.
 - The proposal was justified on the area's 142% growth factor.
- In Dec. 1981, bids were sought for the building of the Post Office in Moss Bluff.
- June of 1982, Postmaster LEON MATTE said that his office will open two new post offices in Calcasieu Parish.
 - One would be the Post Office in Moss Bluff on Parish Road behind Market Basket.

The other one was at the corner of U.S. 171 and U.S. 90 in the eastern side of Lake Charles.

The new Moss Bluff Postal Substation was opened on Nov. 15, 1982.

NEWSPAPER OPENS OFFICE

- West Cal News

In 1972, this paper opened its West Cal News, Moss Bluff Branch Office.

Was located in the Moss Bluff Shopping Center.

Was a "drop-off" station for news items in and around Moss Bluff.

MOSS BLUFF LIBRARY

- In 1957, Moss Bluff gets a Library.
 - The Branch Library was built by J. L. ROLLINS next to his grocery store on the west side of U.S. Highway 171.
 - The Librarian of this new Branch was to be EMILY SPENCER.
 - Mrs. JAMES O. WHITE of Moss Bluff will be the Branch Assistant.
 - This will not remain the Branch location.
 - In 1970, a lease for a library building is approved.
 - It will be an agreement with the Lakeside National Bank for space for a Branch Library in Ward 1.
 - The bank's new building on the corner at U.S.171 and La. 378 was built with room for the library.
 - Lakeside charged the Library \$225 a month for the 2,000 square feet of space.
- The current Library was finished in 1993.

Before the current location, the Moss Bluff Library was at 329 Sam Houston Jones Parkway. The new current Moss Bluff Branch cost \$1.4 million and was opened on Monday, Sept. 27, 1993, at 8:30 am. It opened with holdings of 20,000 books and 56 different magazine titles and features a computerized listings of all books in the entire Calcasieu Library system.

SWEET 16 – Substitute for burned records with these 16 major sources not located in county courthouses: familytreemagazine.com

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| 1. home and family sources | |
| 2. town and state vital records | |
| 3. census records (federal, state and special censuses) | |
| 4. bounty land records | |
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| 8. newspapers | 13. compiled biographies |
| 9. manuscripts and diaries | 14. school and college records |
| 10. cemetery records | 15. appellate court records |
| 11. business and employment records | 16. records of lodges, fraternal orders and societies |

WARD THREE CALCASIEU PARISH 1910 VOTER REGISTRATION LIST

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This list was submitted by LESLIE SULLIVAN who found it in his late father's effects. As the Calcasieu Parish Courthouse burned in 1910 and most records were lost, we hope that this will fill in some gaps.

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TEN BRICKWALL STRATEGIES

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Review and organize your research. Make a family tree chart to see the holes in your research.

Stick to realistic goals. Don't set yourself up for failure with overly broad and too ambitious research objectives.

Make a timeline of the brick wall ancestor's life. It will be easy to see where the empty spots are.

List all the records your ancestor might appear in. Create a to-do list of sources you haven't checked. Consult a genealogy how-to guide to make your list.

Find out if the records you are using have gaps in them that our ancestor might fall into. Example: Newspaper microfilm might have a number of missing issues in the time period that an obituary should appear.

Look for alternate sources and substitute records. Rarely is there only one source for a genealogical event.

Research your ancestor's friends and relatives - children, siblings, cousins, in-laws and neighbors. Their records might have the clues you need.

Challenge your assumptions. Formulate alternative scenarios from what you believe to be true. Research our new theories.

Don't give up after checking online databases, indexes, and other obvious places. You may need to browse an entire record.

See the problem with fresh eyes. Explain the brick wall to someone else or research another line for awhile. You can always go back to his problem later.

THE SAGA OF THE SAVOIES OF CAMERON PARISH REVEALED

The Cameron Parish Pilot, Cameron, La., May 10, 2012

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FRANCOIS SAVOIE, the progenitor of all the SAVOIE/SAVO/SAVOY/SAVOYE/SAVOIS families in Southwest Louisiana, emigrated to Port Royal, Canada, from France in about 1643. He was a well-established landowner and farmer in Port Royal by the time the British forced the Acadians out of Canada in 1755.

"FRANCOIS SAVOIE," according to a family book written by HARRY J. SAVOY, who has impeccable references, "was the first and only SAVOIE who immigrated to Acadia, thus making it almost certain that all the Acadian SAVOYs, are related."

To avoid further confusion with the spelling of the name I shall use "SAVOY" in this article. Through census records we find that both FRANCOIS and his wife, CATHERINE SAVOIE, had perished before 1678. The second generation, comprised of FRANCOISE, GERMAIN, MARIE, JEANNE, CATHERINE, ANDREA and MARIE, grew up, married and had large families in Port Royal.

"After GERMAIN SAVOIE died" wrote HARRY J. SAVOY, "most of his sons moved north across the Bay of Fundy to what is now New Brunswick. Four of them evaded capture and deportation during the Canadian Expulsion, although the rest were deported. GERMAIN's youngest son, CHARLES SAVOIE, and his family of eight children were exiled to New York. His eldest son, FRANCOIS SAVOIE, was separated from the family and sent to Georgia."

SAVOIES EXILED OR IMPRISONED

From the Acadian Expulsion in 1755 to 1763, some of the fourth generations of Acadian SAVOIES remained in exile or were held in prisons in Halifax. Many died from diseases and

heartbreak. Among the few who survived the British exile was CHARLES SAVOIE, who is assumed to have died later in New York. The rest of his large family is buried in scattered places in New Brunswick and Quebec.

Among the SAVOIEs later found in Louisiana were two more named CHARLES in 1721 and 1732; MARIE-JOSEPH 1726; PIERRE, 1734; JEANNE, 1733; FRANCOIS 1731; FELICITE 1736; ROSALIE, 1739; MARGUERITE, 1741; MADELINE, 1743; GUILLIAUME, 1745; JOSEPH, 1747; and JEAN, 1749. From this family came another FRANCOIS VALCOUR SAVOIE, who is the ancestor of the Southwest Louisiana descendants. He was the first SAVOIE to have an official documented record in Louisiana.

He married MARIE LANDRY in St. Louis Church, New Orleans, on July 22, 1765. Their sons, CHARLES and JOSEPH show up in early Spanish Census as, "residing on the right side of the Mississippi in the general area known as the first Acadian Coast and present day St. James." They were listed as having been on one of the two ships that had originally been sent from Nova Scotia to Santo Domingo in 1764 and then back to Louisiana.

FIRST SAVOIE IN CAMERON PARISH

Many of the early day SAVOIEs stayed in the Lafayette, Youngsville, Eunice, Opelousas, St. Martinville, and Grand Coteau area. But in the early to mid 1800s, many of the younger children of FRANCOIS and MARIE (BARNABE) MARTIN, moved westward from Isle St. Jean in Acadia Parish to Cameron Parish.

Believed to have been the first Cameron Parish resident was FRANCOIS VALCOUR SAVOIE, who married ASPASIE DUGAS coming from Lafayette. The second SAVOIE to settle in Creole, in the 1850s was VALCOUR's son, OZEME SAVOIE, who married MERENTE LaBOVE, and had 12 children - JOSEPH OZEMA, JASIN DEMOSTHENE, EMILE, SOUSTHENE, EUSEBE, VALSIN JOHN, PETER, CAMILLE, DESIRE, ALCEDE, PHILO, and ELODIE. These children married into the families of DOMINGUE, GUPTILL, BACCIGALOPPI, QUINN, BOUDREAU, THERIOT, RICHARD, LANDRY and DUPUY.

PHILO, FATHER OF JUDGE PRESTON SAVOY

PHILO SAVOIE married ELMIRA LANDRY and their son, PRESTON SAVOY, was a well-known judge in Lake Charles. In the next generation RICHARD SAVOY, PRESTON's son, recalls, "Some time between my grandfather, PHILO, and my father, PRESTON, the spelling of our name changed from SAVOIE to SAVOY. We don't know why.

"My grandfather PHILO," says RICHARD SAVOY, "was born in 1881. He left Cameron and moved to Gueydan, where he established a Mercantile Store, which was apparently quite successful. A newspaper article told of these SAVOIEs going to New York on buying trips. It also said PHILO's store was approved in the top 20 in the U. S. for credit.

"However after the big flood of 1940 swamped and almost wiped out Gueydan, my grandparent's store was destroyed. Instead of rebuilding it, they moved to Lake Charles, where they built a home on Alvin Street, right next to my dad, PRESTON's home.

PRESTON SAVOY married ETHEL COAL and they have three children, LINDA CLAIRE, RICHARD LOIS and EDWARD THOMAS SAVOY and nine grandchildren.

"SONO" ONE OF 10 GENERATIONS

When VALSIN JOHN SAVOIE married MARY ELLA QUINN in about 1895, they had a son named JAMES BARNEY SAVOIE. He met and married MYRTLE LaBOVE, (probably a descendant of the pioneer LaBOVE family who settled in the Creole area). Their children were MARIE, LORINE, OLGA, RUPERT, LEONARD, JAMES R. "SONO" and MILLIE STURLESE. The last two are the only living siblings.

SONO SAVOIE became famous as a no-nonsense sheriff of Cameron Parish for 24 years. He is still called "Sheriff" even though he's been retired for eight years. SONO is also a well known cattleman, who after Hurricane Audrey wiped out most of Cameron Parish, and killed hundreds of cattle, spent hours and days in the hot, sultry sun, in treacherous marshes, helping to rescue the remaining cattle and horses.

Always involved in many projects in Cameron Parish, SONO helped with anything that had to do with youth, or improvements to the community. He was a great supporter of the annual Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival as well as young organizations and church functions. He started the DARE program to educate Cameron children against drugs. The story of his family's involvement in Hurricane Audrey and in Hurricane Rita, are told in my books about the hurricanes.

SONO SAVOIE is married to MARY HAZEL RICHARD and they have four children, MICHAEL, PHYLLIS, ANNE and BOB.

JAMES SAVOIE, 10th GENERATION

JAMES A. SAVOIE of Lake Charles is also a member of the 10th generation of SAVOIEs. He supplied information as well as the SAVOIE book for this article. His father was OSCAR SAVOIE who married AZENA BROUSSARD after coming to Creole. OSCAR SAVOIE served on the Cameron Parish Police Jury for the term of 1934.

OSCAR's son, JAME SAVOIE, who lives in Lake Charles, is married to CECILE BONSALE from Grand Chenier and they have three children – PHYLLIS, JIM, and DENNIS; plus five grandchildren; six great grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

After he retired from the U. S. Postal Service, where he spent 30 years as a mail carrier, JAMES SAVOIE, worked for Coastal Refrigeration Company.

JUDGE KENT SAVOIE 10th GENERATION

GARFIELD SAVOIE who was born in 1913, son of ELIE and EMMA BROUSSARD of Creole, decided to make Sulphur his home. "My grandfather, ELIE, served two terms on the Cameron Parish Police Jury," says Judge KENT SAVOIE. "Then my father, GARFIELD SAVOIE, served as Deputy Clerk of Court in Cameron. He married GRACE BOUDREAUX, and then he later decided to go to business school in Lake Charles while my mother, GRACE, continued to teach school in Cameron.

After my father finished business school he started his own business in Sulphur, 'SAVOIE's Frozen Foods', where he did some butchering and also rented frozen food lockers to customers.

Judge KENT SAVOIE, has six siblings, RONNIE (who survived Hurricane Audrey in the Catholic Church in Creole with T-Maw), CELESTE LANDRY, ANNETTE MANEILLE, Dr. E. JOSEPH SAVOIE (President of ULL) JOHN, ELIE, and PETE.

Judge SAVOIE married PATRICIA BOREL and they have five children - ELIZABETH DRONET, EMILY SAUSLEY, MARY ELLEN BURTON, DAVID, and REBECCA, plus 12 grandchildren.

He was elected to his present job as District Judge of Calcasieu Parish in 2001, and handles both Civil and Criminal cases. He was sworn in by Judge PRESTON SAVOY.

SAVOIE SCHOOL

Years ago Mrs. NELL LAURENCE HARRISON, of Lake Charles wrote the following article in the *Cameron Pilot*, telling about a SAVOIE School. We do not know the name of the SAVOIE who gave the land and built the school, or what year she talks about.

"I was assigned as teacher of the SAVOIE School," Mrs. HARRISON wrote. "The school was located eight miles east of Cameron near the MURPHY settlement, where three families of MURPHYS lived.

"My first day at this school, a Mr. SAVOIE came for me in a wagon with two horses. When we would come near a mud hole, or bad spot in the road, Mr. SAVOIE would stand up in the wagon and swing his whip at the two horses. They would jump over the bad spots and I had to hang on tightly.

"The one room wooden school had two long tables in it. The benches where the children sat had no backs. I had 39 pupils and they paid me a salary of \$30 per month. My board was \$8 per month. I remember that JIM WAKEFIELD was Sheriff of Cameron at that time."

SAVOIEs CONTRIBUTED MUCH TO CAMERON

Over two centuries ago, the SAVOIE family had been forced to leave their homes in Acadie, Canada, drift across a barren land, with no money, no supplies – facing cruelty, turmoil, and sadness as they stumbled south where they hoped to create new homes in Louisiana. They had heard that there was a French Governor in Louisiana, but by the time some arrived the Spanish had taken over the state.

The strength, resilience, and bravery these Acadians drew upon, during this terrible period, have been passed down through the generations. Through the years, whenever they settled with other groups of people, such as in German, Italian, or English colonies, these people seemed to adopt the social morals of these very strong Acadians. They soon found themselves living the "Cajun Way of Life". Louisiana is fortunate to have had many of these Acadian families settle in this state.

OBITUARIES

Submitted by SHIRLEY CHUMLEY SMITH, Member No. 980

OBITUARY FOR ALBERT J. COX

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Judge COX Stricken At McNeese Game

Former City Judge ALBERT J. COX, 64, died of a heart attack Saturday night.

He was stricken about 7:20 p.m. while walking up a ramp in the new McNeese football stadium.

A native of Plaquemine, Judge COX came to Lake Charles at the age of 14. Upon graduation from Lake Charles High School, he went to LSU Law School, graduating in 1921.

After teaching for several years in Bunkie and Mansura, he returned to Lake Charles in 1933 to begin his law practice. In 1942 he was elected city judge, at which post he remained until he retired in 1954.

He and his wife, the former PAULINE ELIZABETH STOVALL whom he married in 1942, lived at 1015 Kirby St. He was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd.

Judge COX was a member of the Lions Club, the Optimists and other fraternal and civic organizations. Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Monday in the Church of the Good Shepherd. The body will be taken to the church at 9 a.m.

Hixson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. PAULINE COX; one son, WILLIAM B. COX of Lake Charles; four brothers, STANFORD F. COX of Bell City, EDGAR J. COX of Plaquemine, THOMAS COX of Wisner and ELLIS J. COX of Alexandria.

Also, five sisters, Mrs. HERBERT NICHOLSON and Mrs. VAHE ZORTHIAN, both of New Orleans, Mrs. LEONA MAYEAUX and Mrs. JAMES TRAVASOS, both of Plaquemine, and Mrs. L. F. PLAUCHE of Houma

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Monday, May 17, 1976, Page 2

Mrs. PAULINE COX

Funeral services for Mrs. PAULINE STOVALL COX, 65, of 1005 Kirby St., will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 18, from Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Burial will be in Prien Memorial Park under direction of Hixson Funeral Home.

Mrs. COX died at 10 a.m. Sunday in a local hospital after a long illness.

A native of Garland, Tex., she lived here most of her life. She was a pianist and music teacher. Mrs. COX was also active in many civic, cultural and humanitarian organizations in Southwest Louisiana.

She was the wife of the late ALBERT J. COX, former city judge.

Survivors include one son, WILLIAM B. COX of Lake Charles, and one grandchild.

OBITUARY FOR CITY JUDGE RALPH HANKS

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Saturday, July 17, 2010, Page 2

Judge RALPH JOSEPH HANKS, Jr., 80, died Thursday, July 15, 2010, in a local hospital, with his family at his side.

Born in Crowley, Judge HANKS moved to Lake Charles in 1944. He was a 1946 graduate of Landry High School, and then graduated from McNeese State University, and later obtained his law degree from Louisiana State University. He was a partner in the law firm of TRITICO, TRITICO, HOOD, HANKS and FINDLEY. From 1961 until 1965, he served as City Prosecutor for the City of Lake Charles, and he served as acting City Judge from 1968 until his election to the Ward 3 city bench in 1978. He was a member of the Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association and the American Bar Association.

Judge HANKS was a member of St. Margaret Catholic Church and also attended Sulphur United Pentecostal Church. He was active in the Young Men's Business Club and the Buccaneer Club.

He is survived by his wife, PATRICIA ABSHIRE HANKS; two sons, RALPH J 'RICKY' HANKS III and wife CINDY of Lake Charles and RANDY JOSEPH HANKS and wife KRISTI of Sulphur; two daughters, DENISE L. HANKS (BROCK KOBAYASHI) of Houston, Texas, and DEIDRE A. HANKS (BEAU VALLEE) of Lake Charles; one stepson, GLENN BENOIT of Lake Charles; and grandchildren ERIN-BETH HANKS, MEGHAN RUTH HANKS, SETH LOGAN HALL, BAILEY MARIE HANKS, JAXON DAVID HANKS, GRIFIN (sic) CADE HANKS, BRITTANY DAWN BENOIT, BRETT JOSEPH BENOIT, BRANT ALEXANDER BENOIT and BROCK GRIFFIN BENOIT.

He was preceded in death by his parents, RALPH J. HANKS, Sr. and NOLIE BERNARD HANKS.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, July 19, at Johnson Funeral Home. Monsignor CHARLES DuBOIS will officiate. Burial will be at Consolata Cemetery. Visitation is 3-7 p.m., Sunday and from 8 a.m. Monday.

Words of comfort to the family may be expressed at www.johnsonfuneralhome.net.

OBITUARY FOR G. W. FORD

Lake Charles American Press
Monday, February 13, 1978, Page 1

G. W. FORD services scheduled Tuesday

Funeral services for GERVAIS W. FORD, 81, of 401 Dolby St., will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Hixson Funeral Home Chapel.

The Revs. BENJAMIN ENGLISH and DAVID POWERS will officiate. Burial will be in Prien Memorial Park.

Mr. FORD died at 11:50 p.m. Sunday in a local hospital.

Born and reared in the cotton plantation country on the Cane River in Natchitoches, Mr. FORD served as an elementary and secondary school teacher in the Lake Charles City School System for eight years.

He became principal of Central School in 1925, and three years later, became principal of Lake Charles High School. After 20 years at Lake Charles High, Mr. FORD became superintendent of the City School System - a post he held until 1967.

A product of the Natchitoches school system, Mr. FORD earned degrees at Northwestern and Louisiana State Universities. He also attended summer sessions at Tulane University

An overseas veteran of World War I, he was a lieutenant colonel in the Louisiana State Guard during World War II, and past commander of W. B. Williamson Post No. 1 of the American Legion.

He is survived by three sons, Dr. GERVAIS W. FORD, Jr., of San Jose, Calif.; Dr. THOMAS R. FORD of Lexington, Ky., and Dr. PATRICK L. FORD of Lake Charles; three sisters, Mrs. RUTH PIPES of Monroe, Mrs. BESSIE LAWRENCE of Leesville and Mrs. LUCILLE ALDREDGE of Natchitoches; 13 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

A member of numerous educational organizations, Mr. FORD was active in the Calcasieu Area Council, Boy Scouts of America for 55 years. He was also president of the council.

An executive president of the Louisiana Chapter of the National Society for Crippled Children, he helped organize a class for the handicapped students at Hamilton School.

Mr. FORD was also active in the Lake Charles Civil Defense, YMCA, Kiwanis Club, Lake Charles Association of Commerce, Calcasieu-Cameron Tuberculosis Association, Calcasieu-Cameron Chapter of the American Red Cross, Calcasieu United Appeals and the Southwest Historical Society. He served as president of the Calcasieu Library Board.

In 1963, the Young Men's Business Club named Mr. FORD Outstanding Citizen of the Year, and 10 yrs later, the Greater Chamber of Commerce awarded him the group's civic service award.

Mr. FORD was also honored by the PTA, Kiwanis Club, Lake Charles Education Association, the American Legion, and Disabled Veterans.

In 1976, Mr. FORD received a commendation from the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Southwest Louisiana for his work with handicapped children.

Are you sure the record you need was in the building that burned?

A county might've once stored tax records, for example, in a bank vault, even though they're in the courthouse now. Records might've been sent else-where if storage was a problem and thus would've escaped a courthouse fire. The Vernon County, MO., courthouse was burned in 1863 during the Civil War. A Civil War widow needing evidence of her marriage for a pension application was told the marriage records weren't available. But from the county history, we learn that Confederate officials moved the records around until they fell into the hands of a Union regiment. The records were eventually restored to the county missing only one deed book (book B, if you have Vernon County family) and a few loose papers.

THE DAILY AMERICAN (11 August 1897)
Information Gathered by MICK HENDRIX, Member No. 1296

STRICTLY PERSONAL. Points About People Who Come and Go From This City.

FRED MILLER of Fenton is visiting in the city.

Dr. D. S. PERKINS of Sulphur City is in town today.

J. K. McDONALD went to Houston last evening on business.

Capt DOBBERTINE and wife are spending the week at the sea coast.

Miss GEORGIA JESSEN is quite sick at her home on Kirkman street.

Mrs. C. W. HOLE leaves Saturday for El Paso to visit her parents.

J. NEWHOUSE brought in a bunch of fine cattle for the Newhouse market yesterday.

Mrs. ELVINA FOREMAN of Lafayette is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. BAILY VINCENT for a few days.

G.W. POPE, left for Mermentau, this morning to accept a position as engineer on the steamer *Olive*.

Dr. R. E. ODOM of Kinder, La., transacted business in town yesterday and left Watkins road this morning for his home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. STOUT arrived from Hillsboro, Ill., this morning and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. FRAZIER, on Broad street.

F. H. GRAY, Miss RUBY GRAY and FRANK HASKELL, Jr. departed for Senola, Ga., this morning to remain for sometime. FRANK HASKELL will attend school there.

FRANK HASKELL and son, FRANK HASKELL, Jr. left for Senola, Ga. this morning for a visit with friends and relatives. Mr. HASKELL will return shortly but his son will attend the school of telegraphy of that city.

SAM KINDER and family leave for Big Lake this evening to spend a few days enjoying the pleasant breezes of that beautiful lake.

C. E. HUNTER leaves for Kirbyville, Texas, this evening. He will make the trip overland on his bicycle.

To Mr. and Mrs. OTTO DEVILLIER, a fine girl baby last evening.

MAYOR'S COURT. There was a very small attendance at the Mayor's court this morning, and only three offenders appeared before Mayor Crowley. The fines amounted only to \$6.50, the smallest amount that the Mayor's court has turned into the city's treasury for some time. The following cases were disposed of: ED. DELAHAN; arrested by STAFFORD for using bad language was fined \$2.50. JOHN JELLY, arrested by STAFFORD for disorderly conduct contrary to ordinance No.1 of city, was fined \$2.50.

WM. MOORE, arrested by REID for vagrancy, was fined \$1.00 or three days work on the streets.

BOAT CAPSIZED. GEORGE WASEY had a lively time in the lake yesterday. His sail boat capsized in the strong breeze, but it was close to shore, and GEORGE had no trouble in swimming out, although he was minus one shoe.

CALCASIEU CYCLE CLUB. Meeting of Enthusiastic Wheelmen Last Night.

A number of bicyclists met at TOMPKINS Bros. store last evening and organized a bicycle club, known as the Calcasieu Cycle Club.

The officers for the ensuing term are M. GROVE, president; O. H. MILLS, vice president; M. ROSENTHAL, secretary; H. BULL, treasurer; GUS TOMPKINS, captain, and SIMON ROSENTHAL, vice captain.

Twenty-two have attached their names to the roll and more are expected soon. The boys expect to make some big runs in the near future and are banding together to fight bicycle ordinances, secure better roads and get cheaper repairs.

OPERA HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS. New Scenery, New Curtain, Larger Stage and a Good Season in Prospect.

Mr. H. B. MILLIGAN was seen today in regard to the prospect for a successful opera season here this winter. Mr. MILLIGAN was not yet ready to give a list of the attractions for this coming season, but said everything pointed to a successful season this winter.

New sills have been placed under the opera house and it has been strengthened until it is perfectly safe. A new roof has been put on, the floor will be raised and it will receive repairs wherever they are needed.

The stage will be enlarged sufficiently to mount any show that travels. There will be an entirely new set of scenery and a new drop curtain. Mr. MILLIGAN says the scenery will be some of the very finest in the south and will compare with that of any playhouse in New Orleans. The curtain will also be fine. The first attraction will be on September 12th. Play goers may expect some unusual treats in the coming winter as some star attractions are already engaged.

THEY MUST GO. If the Proper Rate is Secured the Little Tycoon Company Will Travel. There has been considerable talk of "The Little Tycoon" troupe going to Shreveport to give a performance there during the encampment.

Rev. J. H. SPEARING was seen by a *Daily American* representative in regard to the matter this morning. He says that those in the play would like to go and they have been in correspondence with Manager HAMMOND of the Kay See road, relative to securing low rates for the trip; but that they have not yet heard from Mr. HAMMOND and unless they secure very low rates, will not go.

Mr. J. C. ELSTNER who has just returned from Shreveport and who while up there looked into the prospects of "The Little Tycoon" securing a good house should they go to that city, says there is no doubt that they will have a crowded house and all that is necessary for a financial success is for them to go.

GRAND LAKE NEWS. Dummy Line Project Being Talked of Down There. *Correspondence Daily American*

Grand Lake, August 10 - Work is said to begin on the bayou bridge today. Now that the nuisance is to be abated, going to Lake Charles will not be the task it has been heretofore.

We occasionally hear a whisper that a dummy line will be extended to this point in the near future. We treat it as a whisper, without give it credence, for we came in here and settled over four years ago with the full assurance that we would have a railroad inside of two years, and there we are; able to raise unlimited amounts of produce of all kinds, and no transportation facilities yet.

Yes, a dummy line would be hailed with delight, if it would carry our produce out. It would set our people to work with renewed energy, a hundred acres or more of land would be tilled in strawberries, and market gardening would be carried on more extensively and everybody would awaken up.

WHAT THEY SAY. How Others See Our Gallant Company and Charming Sponsor.

The *Shreveport Evening Journal* prints was very handsome half tone cut of Miss MAY MURPHY.

The dashing Lake Charles company brought their fair sponsor with them. She is Miss MAY MURPHY, a beautiful and accomplished young lady of Lake Charles, who is exceedingly popular in Lake Charles social circles and her admirers are legion. The Lake Charles soldiers are very proud of their charming sponsor and they have a right to be.

The Picayune, in its special from Shreveport, speaks of the charming sponsor of Company G.:

On the arrival of the Kansas City and Gulf train this morning at 9 o'clock Miss MAY MURPHY, sponsor for the Lake Charles Light Guards, was met by the company and the regimental band, and also by Miss ETHEL BLANCHARD, whose guest she will be during the encampment. Miss BLANCHARD and Miss MURPHY were driven to Judge BLANCHARD's residence in a carriage drawn by four-in-hand, and the carriage all decorated in regimental and company colors of pale blue and corn yellow. On reaching the residence the company divided ranks, while the carriage and escort passed through the ranks, and the regimental band played its best music."

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VON PHUL, HENRY F, Von Phul-Gordon Bldg.

RESTAURANTS.

AUSTIN, R J, 201 Lawrence
BOUQUET, E, 316 Ann
ISAACS, M, 104 Bonaparte
GODDARD, A, 500 Jackson
Elite Lunch Room, 837 Ryan
JABARA, S, 1027 Railroad ave
LABAUVE's Restaurant, Ryan and Lawrence

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Lake Charles Restaurant, 804 Ryan
Lake City Restr and Café, Lake City Bldg, Ryan
LYONS, V (c), 321 Franklin
NORTHERN, J (c), 634 Railroad ave
PECORINO, V, 1136 Railroad ave
RIGMAIDEN's, Rigmaiden Bldg, Ryan st.
Woman's Exchange, 322 Pujo

RICE MILLING COMPANIES.

Lake Charles Rice Milling Co, 412 St Andrew

Wall Rice Milling Co, Front and Division

RACKET STORES.

MEYER's Variety Store, Ryan and Mill

ROUSS' Racket Store, 909 Ryan

SHEET METAL WORKERS, TIN ROOFING, TANKS, CISTERNS, ETC.

HANSON, J P, Ryan st

LOY, W H, Ryan st, rear of ROCK Hdw Co

SHOEMAKERS.

MARCHETTA, T, 1022 Railroad ave

SANTO, C, 837½ Ryan

SANTO, J, 202 Division

VIRGODAMO, J, 721 Ryan

ROEEAFORTE, B, 1124 Railroad ave

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TAILORS.

ASSUNTO True-Fit Tailor, 621 Ryan

Galveston Tailors, 616 Ryan

HARMON, Thee Fashionable Tailor, 812 Ryan

WALL's Tailor shop, 320 Pujo

CLEANING AND PRESSING.

BOWMAN, E L, 806 Ryan

FONTENOT, Mrs D, 932 Broad

LEVINGSTON, R M, Jr, 833 Ryan

McKIBBEN, H, 743 Kirkman

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BROOKS, J, 309 Franklin

DORSEY, T H, 217 Franklin

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MANUEL, C, 624 Railroad ave
Star Pressing Club, 1012 Railroad ave

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Calcasieu Parish: Truck and Fruit Growers' Association, 316 Pujo.

THEATERS.

Arcade, Commercial Bldg.
Auditorium, Pujo and Hodges
Crystal (motion pictures), Ryan
Imperial (motion pictures), Ryan

UNDERTAKERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS.

GILL & TROTTI, Division, bet Ryan and Hodges
RYAN & BOWMAN, 710 Ryan

Colored.

SMITH, E P, 1103 Jackson
L C Comfort Burial Assn, 219 Franklin

VETERINARIANS.

QUILTY, M L, opp Ryan's Stable, r 827 Pujo
QUILTY, PAUL, opp Ryan's Stable, r 827 Pujo

WALL PAPER, PAINTS, GLASS, ETC.

WATSON & Co, Ryan
HEMESWAY Furn Co, Broad
Lake City Supply Co, Ryan

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GUNN, Twin Babies, b. & d. 27 May 1967 - twin babies of CHARLES GUNN,
born Lake Charles, La.
GURKA, JOHNB, b. 21 June 1943, d. 31 Aug. 1991
GUSSLER, JAMES, b. 22 Jan. 1933, d. 16 July 1987
GUTHRIE, Mrs. BERNICE, b. no date, d. 6 June 1968 - age 60 yrs, born N. Dakota
HABETZ, GREGORY A., b. 1 Sep. 1961, d. 5 Sep. 1991
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HAGAR, Infant, b. & d. 19 July 1991
HAGGERT, OLLIE BELLE, b. Apr. 1906, d. 16 Nov. 1996
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HALEY, VIRGINIA, b. 23 Nov. 1921, d. 24 Aug. 1989
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HALL, MONTY C., b. 28 Aug. 1907, d. 16 July 1985
HALL, WILMA, b. 5 Mar. 1911, d. 26 July 1996
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HAMPTON, JESSIE WADE, b. 4 Dec. 1927, d. 20 May 1978
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HANKS. NOLA B., b. 27 July 1906 d. 10 Mar. 1995
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HANKS, TREVILLE, Jr., b. 2 Dec. 1917, d. 3 Dec 1985 - Pvt, US Army, WWII
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HANTZ, JERAH MICHEL EMBRY, b. & d. 27 July 1992 - stillborn
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 HARDY, MELTON C., b. 29 Apr. 1916, d. 13 Oct. 1976 - born in Longview, Tx.
 HARGRAVE, EDNOR, b. 27 Dec. 1957, d. Mar. 1988
 HARMON, CARL W., b. 5 Oct. 1916, d. 15 Sep. 1979
 HAROY, OLIN, b. 27 Nov. 1914, d. 18 May 1994
 HARPER, Infant ELIZABETH ANN, b. 2 Mar. 1980, d. 30 Mar. 1980
 HARPER, MARK EDWARD, b. no date, d. 22 Nov. 1970 - Pre-mature infant -
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 HARRINGTON, ARNOLD J., b. 11 Feb. 1917, d. 24 Oct. 1993
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 HARRINGTON, FLORETTA, b. 1 Mar. 1948, d. 27 Nov. 1990
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 HARRIS, D. MILDRED, b. 20 June 1929, d. 16 Mar. 1998 - "Beloved Wife and Mother" -
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 HARRIS, FRANK W., b. 4 Jan. 1913, d. 21 Mar. 1979
 HARRIS, Infant, b. 19 Jan. 1979, d. 20 Jan. 1979 - infant of LINDA DARLINE HARRIS
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